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8 MR. CORBAN: Good afternoon. My name is Keith
9 SEP 30 1999 Corban. I come from Teco which is in Lincoln County. I have
10 two comments to make, the first regarding the repository
11 assault.

1 12 I'm not convinced that underground storage at
13 Yucca Mountain would be anything less than an environmental
14 disaster, mostly because of the groundwater intrusion and
15 because of seismic activity in the area.

2 16 I favor above-ground storage much as exists
17 currently at the nuclear power plants around the country.

18 I recently visited Prairie Island in Minnesota and I
19 saw their cask storage there. I noted that the plant officials
20 told me that they could do nothing for 300 to 500 years and it
21 would stay safe.

22 I also noted the town people were very happy with
23 the method of storage and its safety.

24 Secondly, I wanted to address the transportation
25 issue. I live in rural Nevada, travel the highways a lot. I

3 1 guess my concern is that there's no preferred transportation
2 route or mode in the Environmental Impact Statement.

4 3 I personally would favor rail because it's safer,
4 but it is more expensive. My objection to the truck routes
5 would be mostly because of the impact on the present highways.

6 As I said when I'm traveling over the mountain
7 passes, I am frequently slowed down behind legal weight trucks
8 going as slow as 15 miles an hour, and if you take like that
9 into heavy haul trucks and increase that number by maybe an
10 order of magnitude, you have a big problem.

11 Thank you.

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